largely dependent on the availability of relevant data from various States, Union Territories and Organisations, etc. The delay in the receipt of data from even a single State/Union Territory or Organization can cause delay in the release of the concerned publication. Normally, there is no delay but sometimes it occurs due to circumstances beyond the control of the Directorate of Economics and Statistics. There is consequently no fixed time frame for release of the publication excepting the periodicals like "Agricultural Situation in India" and its Hindi version "Krishi Sameeksha".

(c) No, Sir.

Statement

List of Publications Brought out By Directorate of economics and statistics

Name of the publication	Periodicity
1. Area and Production of Principal Crops in India	Ad-hoc
2. Bulletin on Food Statistics	Do.
3. Agricultural Wages in India	Do.
4. Indian Agricultural Statistics	Do.
5. Indian Agriculture in Brief	Do.
6. Farm (Harvest) Prices of Principal Crops in India	Do.
7. Indian Livestock Census	Do.
8. Studies in the Economics of Farm Management	Do.
9. Agricultural Statistics at a Glance	Do.
10. Agricultural Prices in India	Do.
11. Bulletin on Commercial Crop Statistics	Do.
12. Bhartiya Krishi Ki Sankshipt Rooprekha	Do.
Journals	
1. Agricultural Situation in India	Monthly
2. Krishi Sameeksha (Hindi)	Do.
Bulletin	
1. Bulletin of Agricultural Prices	Weekly

Oil seeds Technology Mission

372. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether on January 9, 1987 the Prime Minister had expressed dissatisfaction, as reported in the 'Times of India', dated 10th January, 1987, over delayed implementation of the oil-seeds Technology Mission and has urged for definite time-table to accomplish its well defined objectives;

(b) if so, what exactly is the objective of this mission and its time-table; and

(c) whether it is a fact that inspite of being amongst the countries having the

largest oil-seeds areas in the world India is biggest importer of vegetable oils?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (*SHRI G. S. DHILLON*): (a) and (b) The progress of the Technology Mission on Oilseeds production alongwith 3 other Missions, was presented to the Parliamentary Consultative Committee attached to the Ministry of Science and Technology presided over by the Prime Minister. The Hon'ble Members of Parliament who were present in the meeting sought information on several points and clarifications were furnished. The main objective of the Technology Mission on Oilseeds production is to make the country self-reliant by the year 1990 in edible and non-edible oils and to reduce imports through an integrated approach involving different developmental, scientific, banking, marketing, and processing agencies.

(c) According to the information available, India is the largest importer of edible oils in the world today.

Codification of privileges of the Members of the legislatures

373. SHRI CHITTA BASU:
SHRI RAMKRISHNA MAZUMDER:

Will the Minister of PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to codify the privileges of the Members of the legislatures; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The government feel that the matter should be left to be decided by the Parliament and State Legislatures.

Target for Housing during the current year

374. *SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY*: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether government propose to declare Housing as Industry in the current international year of Shelter for homeless; and

(b) what is the target fixed for housing in the urban and rural areas in this financial year throughout the country and allocation of funds made therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) There is a proposal to declare Housing as an Industry but a final view is yet to be taken.

(b) Housing is a State subject and State Governments/Union Territory Administrations have been given full powers to implement social housing schemes as per their needs and plan priorities. The financial assistance from the Central Government is given to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations in the shape of 'block loans' and 'block grants' without being tied to any particular scheme or head of development.

Poor quality of construction work done by DDA

375. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the report on the working of DDA for the year 1985-86 has revealed the poor quality of construction work undertaken by DDA in various areas;

(b) whether Government took any steps to fix the responsibility for such construction, if so, what action has been taken in this regard; and

(c) what is the total value involved in these types of spurious constructions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Chief Engineer (Quality Control) had pointed out certain defects after carrying out various inspections during the year 1985-86.